Environmental Information Bulletin



Managing Storm Water BMPs Post Rain

Managed diligently, our storm water BMPs (i.e. the use of straw wattles, oil booms, oil pillows, and witch's hats in drain inlets) are implemented to help mitigate the potential for pollutants to flow offsite through storm water runoff.

After each rain event, the effectiveness of these BMPs is weakened. While the severity of each rain event (and in turn the impact on BMPs) varies, what still remains true is the mutual understanding that after it rains our yards are in need of immediate housekeeping. To guide our team members on how best to manage storm water BMPs after a rain event, review the "Post Rain Procedures" below.

Post Rain Procedures:

- Walk property line and fence perimeter, and clean up all trash/debris that has accumulated
- a) Scrape and dig out all sediment build-up around drain inlets
 - b) Remove surrounding gravel and soil debris
- a) Remove old witch's hats and oil pillows, and replace with new sets
 - b) Remove old straw wattles and oil booms, and replace with new sets
 - c) Add fresh gravel, to back-up the straw wattles

The Right Tools for the Job:

Shovel & Debris Bin/Drum

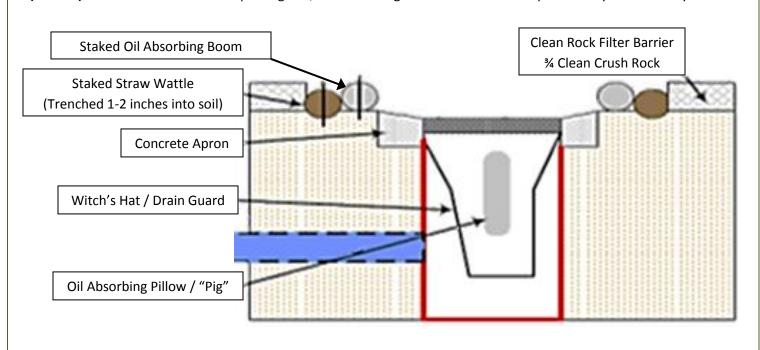
New Straw Wattles

New Oil Booms

New Oil Pillows

New Witch's Hat

a) If there are drain inlets in parking lots, the refreshing of witch's hats and oil pillows may be necessary



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